

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1 1. (currently amended) A swimsuit comprising:
  - 2 (a) a loop adapted to at least partially encircle a human waist;
  - 3 (b) a fastening device which couples a first part of the swimsuit body  
~~separable at at least one location by decoupling a corresponding fastening~~  
~~device thereat to a second part of the swimsuit body~~; and
  - 4 (c) a storage compartment on the swimsuit body for which compactly ~~stowing~~  
~~stows~~ the body;
- 5 wherein the loop is positioned relative to the swimsuit body so that when said  
6 fastening device is engaged, the swimsuit may be worn by a human.
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- 10 2. (previously presented) The swimsuit of claim 1 wherein said loop is adapted to  
1 completely encircle said human waist.
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- 12 3. (original) The swimsuit of claim 1 wherein said loop is selected from the group  
1 consisting of (i) a decorative chain, and, (ii) a tubular member.
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- 14 4. (currently amended) The swimsuit of ~~claim 3~~ claim 1 wherein said the loop  
15 comprises a chain comprises made of a material resistant to corrosion.
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- 17 5. (currently amended) A method of removing a swimsuit separable at at least one

2 point by a fastening device while leaving it attached to a human body, comprising:

3 (a) decoupling at least one fastening device on a body of the swimsuit and  
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5 a first part of the body of the swimsuit from a second part of the body of  
6 the  
7 swimsuit;

8 (b) compacting the body of the swimsuit into a small space;  
9 (c) storing the compacted body of the swimsuit using at least one storage  
10 compartment on the body of the swimsuit; and  
11 (d) using a loop at least partially encircling the human body for supporting the  
12 swimsuit on the human body.

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1 6. (original) The method of claim 5 wherein the storing of the compacted body of the  
2 swimsuit using the at least one storage compartment is performed through an  
3 opening at an end of the at least one storage compartment.

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1 7. (original) The method of claim 5 wherein the at least one storage compartment  
2 comprises two storage compartments.

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1 8. (currently amended) A method of making a collapsible swimsuit comprising:  
2 (a) separating a swimsuit body at at least one position;  
3 (b) attaching a piece of material to said body of the swimsuit and defining a

4                   storage compartment therebetween;

5       (c) attaching at least one fastening device to the swimsuit at the at least one  
6                   separation position, the at least one fastening device enabling fastening of  
7                   on one portion of the swimsuit body to another portion of the swimsuit  
8                   body; and

9       (d) attaching a loop capable of at least partially enclosing a human waist to the  
10                  swimsuit.

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1       9. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein said loop is capable of completely  
2                  encircling a human waist.

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1       10. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein said loop is selected from the group  
2                  consisting of (i) a decorative chain, and, (ii) a tubular element.

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1       11. (original) A swimsuit comprising:

2       (a) a loop adapted to at least partially encircle a human waist;

3       (b) a body having a front end and a rear end, the front end having a width  
4                  greater than the rear end;

5       (c) a fastener for detachably coupling the rear end of the body to said loop;  
6                  and

7       (d) a storage compartment on the front of the swimsuit for compactly stowing  
8                  the body;

9           wherein the loop is positioned relative to the swimsuit body so that when said  
10          fastener is attached, the swimsuit may be worn by a human.

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1     12. (original) The swimsuit of claim 11 wherein said loop is adapted to completely  
2          encircle said human waist.

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1     13. (original) The swimsuit of claim 11 wherein said loop is selected from the group  
2          consisting of (i) a decorative chain, and, (ii) a tubular member.

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1     14. (currently amended) The swimsuit of claim 13 11 wherein said the loop comprises  
2          a chain comprises made of a material resistant to corrosion.

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